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SUBJECT: NORWEGIAN REPLY ON SVALBARD WIVES; FOREIGN MINISTER TO VISIT SVALBARD

1. FONMIN POLAR ADVISOR BUCHER-JOHANNESSEN INFORMED EMBOFF THAT NORWEGIANS HAVE DECIDED REQUEST AEROFLOT TO MOVE WIVES OF SOVIET AIRPORT EMPLOYEES FROM PRESENT QUARTERS IN LONGYEARBYEN AND RELOCATE THEM PERMANENTLY AT SOVIET COMMUNITY SITE AT BARENTSBERG.
EQUEST WILL BE TRANSMITTED LATER THIS WEEK FROM NOR-
WEGIAN CIVIL AIR DIRECOORATE. SEVERAL OF WIVES HAVE
BEEN IN BARENTSBERG APPROXIMATELY ONE WEEK ALREADY.

2. IN ADDITION FOREIGN MINISTER FRYDENLUND HAS DECIDED HE WILL FLY TO SVALBARD FOR BRIEF TRIP TWO WEEKS FROM NOW TO UNDERTAKE FACT FINDING AND DEMONSTRATE POLITICAL PRIORITY GOVERNMENT ATTACHES TO SVALBARD ISSUES.

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3. IN MEANTIME BUCHER-JOHANNESSEN CALLED IN SOVIET

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EMBASSY COUNSELLOR G. F. TITOV TO REEMPHASIZE SERIOUSNESS
WITH WHICH NORWEGIANS VIEW SOVIET ACTIONS THIS CASE AND
TO STRESS IMPACT NORWEGIANS FEEL IT COULD HAVE ON THEIR
BILATERAL RELATIONS.
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